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The news received yesterday that one netter was in at last and that three others had shipped small lots of fish to Fulton market caused those who are interested in the big fleet of little fellows to look up a little, just as they were beginning to feel pretty blue because they had not been heard from.

As nearly two weeks had gone by beyond the date when the first netter showed up last season and brought no sign of an arrival, they were beginning to think it was all off with the netters and that either the fish had escaped them and taken another track or that the weather was too much for them.

Some letters had been received from some of the netters, posted down on the Jersey coast. One of them said that they had been down the coast 150 miles, and despite the rough weather had set their nets and not found a mackerel, and that they did not like the looks of things at all.

Now that four netters have been heard from getting a few fish 20 miles southeast by south from Barnegat, it seems to be the opinion that the fish are late in coming along and that from now on, with any kind of decent weather, the netters will be heard from almost daily.

Mr. Manual Ferry, who returned yesterday from a visit to friends in New York, like any other true Gloucesterite, made a regular morning trip to Fulton market every day during his stay there, meeting many of the seining captains and men with whom he is acquainted.

He said that all of them seemed to agree that but for the almost incessantly bad weather, the catch would have been unusually large. Many of the skippers, although doing well, still were grumbling at fate because they could not get good weather and thus get more fish. Some were thoroughly disgusted, having been on fish all the spring and only getting a few and taking chances to get those. Some had found fish wild and had banged away in the rough sea many times with poor success.

The shippers of the vessels in port Wednesday stated that they had got their fish in the day time and that others had also made daylight hauls. The big fare of sch. Elizabeth Silsbee, than which no larger was ever landed out south, was also taken in the daytime according to these skippers.

Mr. Ferry says that all the skippers were confident that with the advent of some good weather there would yet be some big doings out south and that Fulton market would see a goodly number of fine trips.

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IN ST. JOHN'S OPINION.

Recent Supreme Court Decision a Great Blow to Gloucester.

A despatch from St. John's, N. F., says: "Under the recent supreme court decision that American vessel owners cannot employ Newfoundland fishermen in colonial waters (within three miles from land), the Gloucester schooners will be seriously handicapped when they arrive at Bay of Islands next season to load frozen herring, in the opinion of the local press and government officials."

"It is not considered probable that the appeal to the privy council, the highest court in the British empire, will be passed upon before next year, so that should that body decide against the colonial government, the decision will not affect next season's operations."

"According to the government statistics, there were 65 Gloucester vessels in Newfoundland waters last season. These schooners brought 750 men from Gloucester, hired 800 colonial fishermen outside the three-mile limit and maintained them in their employ within colonial waters."

"Under the decision by the supreme court, the Americans cannot use colonial fishermen in colonial waters, and it is said that the herring fishery will be unprofitable should the Gloucester vessel owners be obliged to dispense with the services of Newfoundlanders, who set the nets when the ice forms and make all other arrangements at the beginning of the season."

HEAVY WIND OUTSIDE.

Many of the Market Boats Made Port for Shelter.

Quite a number of the market fishing boats made a harbor here for shelter this forenoon. They report a regular northeast gale and rough sea off here, the wind being very heavy.

Good Herring Hauls at North Sydney, C. B.

Local fishermen at North Sydney, C. B., have been securing good fares of herring during the past few days. The demand for bait is very much in excess of the supply at the present time and the fishermen are receiving \$3 per barrel for their fresh herring.

Halibut Sale.

The fare of sch. Teazer sold to the American Fish Co. at 9 cents per pound for white and 6 cents for gray.

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Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Mildred Robinson, Peak, 117,000 lbs. fresh cod.
Sch. Teazer, Georges, 10,000 lbs. halibut, 15,000 lbs. salt cod, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Joppaite, shore, 2000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, shore.
Sch. Viking, shore.
Sch. Genesta, shore.
Sch. Seaconnet, shore.
Sch. Flavilla, shore.
Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, shore.
Sch. Teresa and Alice, shore.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade fresh fish prices: large western cod, \$2.37 1-2; medium do., \$1.62 1-2; large eastern cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium do., \$1.50; snapper do., 60c; cusk, \$1.62 1-2; snapper do., 50c; haddock, \$1.10; hake, \$1.10; pollock, \$1.

Board of Trade salt fish prices: Large Georges handline cod, \$4.75; medium do., \$3.75; salt haddock, \$2; salt pollock, \$2; salt hake, \$2; salt cusk, \$2.50.

Bank halibut, 9 cts. per lb. for white and 6 cts. or gray.

Rips salt cod, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium, and \$2.25 for snappers.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.50 per cwt., medium do., \$1.62 1-2. Large eastern cod, \$2.50, medium do., \$1.62 1-2.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.50 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for market, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for shank.

Fresh round pollock, 95 cts. per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.20 per cwt.

Boston.

Sch. Hortense, 12,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 5000 hake, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 4500 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Regina, 25,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 7000 cusk.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 12,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Steamer Ida, 1500 cod.

Sch. Wesley W. Sennett, 4700 haddock, 300 cod.

Sch. Grace Darling, 2000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Valentinna, 13,000 haddock, 13,000 cod.

Sch. Juniata, 1000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, 12,000 haddock.

Haddock, \$1.10 to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.80; market cod, \$1.75; hake, \$1.25 to \$3; cusk, \$1.60 to \$2.

New York.

Sch. Helen G. Wells, 8000 large mackerel, 2000 medium mackerel.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 16,000 medium mackerel.

Sch. Constellation, 12,000 medium mackerel.

Sch. Electric Flash, 15,000 large mackerel, 15,000 medium mackerel.

Sch. Saladin, 17,000 medium mackerel, 5000 large mackerel.

Sch. Victor, 8000 medium mackerel.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, 9000 medium mackerel.

Sch. Romance, 30,000 medium fresh mackerel.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, 20,000 medium fresh mackerel.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Kineo was at Edgartown Thursday for bait. There are plenty of alewives there now.

Sch. Flirt was at Friendship yesterday for bait.

There is some bait now in the vicinity of Boothbay Harbor.

Sch. Susan Stetson is at this port awaiting the arrival of the salt steamer Stag to load salt for a Maine port.

Capt. Patrick Murphy will now fit sch. Emily Cooney for swordfishing.

Schs. Helen F. Whitten and Mabel D. Hines sailed from Canso for Queensport for bait on Wednesday.

Several Canadian vessels sailed from Canso on Wednesday to try to get to the Magdalens. Tug F. W. Roebing, with sch. Conquero in tow, left Canso Wednesday and arrived at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., the same day where the vessel is now on the railways for examination and repairs.

Schs. Mabel D. Hines and Matchless were at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., on Wednesday. Schs. Fannie W. Freeman, Willie Swift and Willie Matheson were at Canso on Wednesday.

The Dominion ice report on Wednesday says that at Cape Bay there was light open ice inshore, while at Amherst island of the Magdalen group there was still eight miles of ice which was stationary. At Meat Cove and St. Paul's island there was heavy close packed ice everywhere, the ice moving east.

Sch. W. E. Morrissey was at Port Hawkesbury on Wednesday.

Sch. Maggie and May was at Cape Peters, C. B., on Wednesday for bait.

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LOOKING TO SETTLEMENT.

Of Both the Canadian and Newfoundland Troubles.

Premiers Laurier and Bond Both Talk with Colonial Secretary.

A London despatch of yesterday says: "The delayed conference of Sir Edward Grey and Lord Elgin with Sir Wilfred Laurier, the Canadian premier, on questions pending between the United States and Canada on which Secretary of State Root is anxious to reach an understanding, took place at the foreign office last Thursday."

"It is expected that as soon as the results of the conference reach Mr. Bryce at Washington, the way will be clear for a continuation of the negotiations at Washington. Sir Robert Bond, the premier of Newfoundland, also has been discussing the Newfoundland fisheries question with the imperial ministers and today expressed confidence that an understanding will be reached."

HORDES OF DOGFISH.

Now in Complete Control of Brown's Bank.

Capt. Frank Viator of sch. Hortense, which arrived here from Boston yesterday, reports that Brown's Bank is now in complete control of the dogfish hordes, which are greatly bothering the vessels fishing, there destroying fish and trawls and making life generally miserable for the fishermen. He also reports rough weather throughout the trip.

PEAK FISH GO UP.

Medium Cod from Sch. Mildred Robinson Brought Advance.

Fresh Peak codfish took another raise on Saturday when the fare of sch. Mildred Robinson, which arrived Friday afternoon sold to George Perkins & Son at \$2.50 per hundred weight for large and \$1.75 for medium, this being a raise of 12 1-2 cents on the medium fish, last sales being at \$2.50 and \$1.62 1-2.

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STILL LOTS OF ICE.

Forty Miles of It Between Newfoundland and Cape Breton.

A wireless despatch received at North Sydney, C. B., Thursday, from the captain of the steamer Montcalm said, "Ice about 25 miles off Sydney and about 15 miles off Newfoundland, about 40 miles close packed between Cape Ray and Cape Breton."

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French Bankers Hoist Half Mast Flags.

Two French bankers at North Sydney, C. B., on Thursday had their flags at half mast in respect to the memory of the daughter of one of the captains who died in France only a few days before.

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more Herring at North Sydney.

The catch of herring at North Sydney, C. B., still continues. One boat got 50 barrels Wednesday and sold them to a French banker at \$3 per barrel.

Schs. Arkona and Bohemia took bait and supplies there.

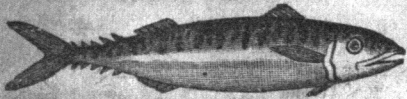
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KEEPING UP SWIFT GAIT.

Eight More Mackerel Trips
at New York Today.

SOME LARGE FISH TAKEN.

All the Fleet Have Landed Fares
But 13 Vessels



The fast gait which the southern mackerel seining fleet has set for itself is being kept up in good shape, for this morning found seven more fresh fares at Fulton dock awaiting the buyers at 6 o'clock. The following vessels were there:

Sch. Pinta, Capt. John F. Vautier, 15,000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Cynthia, Capt. Geoffrey Thomas, 7000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Nellie Dixon, Capt. James Ellis, 15,000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Arthur Binney, Capt. Rufus McKay, 10,000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Lucania, Capt. Martin L. Welch, 9000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Colonial, Capt. Lemuel Firth, 14,000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, 11,000 fresh mackerel.

The fares are mostly of medium fish with some large ones mixed in.

At Newport and vicinity a few mackerel have been taken in the traps, but the season is late in there. Last year at this time scup were running so that it was necessary to limit catch and shipments, and this season only one barrel has been taken thus far.

A telegram to the Times this noon reports the arrival at Fulton dock of sch. Parthia, Capt. S. Campbell Peart, with 10,000 fresh mackerel, mostly mediums.

The mackerel at New York today are selling at 20 cents each for large and eight cents each for mediums.

Of the fares landed today this is the first for schs. Colonial, Parthia and Cynthia, the second for schs. Nellie Dixon and Effie M. Prior, third for schs. Arthur Binney and Lucania and fourth for sch. Pinta.

The trip landed today by sch. Pinta, Capt. John F. Vautier, will put that craft in second place with gross stock in the neighborhood of \$7000.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, who has been south seining, and whose skipper, Capt. Samuel Kent, was landed ill at Staten Island and taken to the hospital there, arrived home this morning. She will now be immediately refitted for southern seining, and Capt. Charles H. Harty, who has been at Newport for the past month to buy mackerel for John Nagle & Co., is coming home today and will take command of her until the new one now building for Orlando Merchant is launched, which will be in June.

Capt. Harty, who has been carefully studying the doings of the southern fleet, feels that there will be big doings to the southward from where the fish now are to the South shoal lightship this season.

When Capt. Harty takes the new vessel, Capt. Kent, if he is well enough, will resume command of the Merchant again.

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Shipped Halibut to Boston.

The halibut of schs. Theodore Roosevelt and Squanto shipped from Canso, N. S., arrived at Boston today, also the 9000 pounds shipped by sch. Preceptor.

Halibut Sales.

The fare of sch. Claudia was sold to the New England Fish Co. and that of sch. Niagara to the American Halibut Co., each at 8 cents per pound for white and 5 cents for gray.

Too Much Wind for Pollockers.

There was too much wind for the pollock seiners to do anything off here yesterday and they came in during the afternoon with no fish.

Liverpool Salt.

Sch. Susan Stetson is at this port from Boston with 100 tons Liverpool salt for Orlando Merchant.

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SCHOOLS ARE IN NO RUSH.

Last Fish Taken Few Miles
from Winter Quarter.

QUITE COLD IN NEW YORK

Skippers Say Cold Water Is Holding
Mackerel Back.

A despatch from New York this afternoon states that the seiners arriving at Fulton market yesterday and today report getting their hauls in latitude 38.20.

This would bring them only 25 or 30 miles to the northward of where they have been getting the schools for quite a while, off Winter Quarter Lightship, and shows, as has been stated frequently in the Times of late, that the fish are late and are not moving northward of where the fish actually are.

From this it would seem that the season is to be a late one out south, and that the "New York spurt," for which the skippers used to lay, is yet to come. The despatch further states that skippers claim that the water to the northward of where they are taking the fish is very cold, and that this is what is keeping the fish from working toward New York. The weather today at New York is clear and at 1 o'clock it was growing quite cold.

The despatch also states that sch. Helen G. Wells counted out 4000 large mackerel and sch. Lizzie M. Stanley had 1600 large among her fare of 16,000 medium mackerel.

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Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, Edgartown.
Sch. Hortense, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Claudia, Quercus Bank, 20,000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Robert and Carr, shore.
Steamer Pet, shore.
Sch. Edward A. Rich, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, south, seining.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.
Steamer Alert, shore.
Steamer Mystery, shore.

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Fresh round pollock, 95 cts. per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.20 per cwt.

Boston.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 55,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 2500 halibut.
Sch. Mary Edith, 3500 haddock, 2000 cod, 15,000 hake, 3000 cusk.
Sch. Yankee, 4000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins.
Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 6000 cod, 40,000 hake, 6000 cusk.
Sch. Albert W. Black, 4000 haddock, 6000 cod, 5000 hake, 4000 cusk.
Sch. Viking, 13,000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 6000 haddock.
Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 24,000 cod.
Sch. Flavilla, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 8000 cod, 3000 hake, 2000 cusk.
Sch. Emily Sears, 10,000 haddock.
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 36,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Marion, 2000 cod.
Sch. Rose Standish, 3000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. James and Esther, 28,000 cod, 3000 catfish, 2000 halibut.
Sch. Teresa and Alice, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Haddock, \$2 to \$2.85 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50 to \$2.75; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; halibut, 12 cts. and 9 1-2 cts. per lb., also 11 1-2 cts. right through; hake, \$1.50 to \$4 per cwt.; cusk, \$1.60.

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Provincetown Notes.

One of the Consolidated's Chatham weirs caught a 20 pound salmon Saturday and a fish of that species, weighing 25 1-2 pounds, was taken by the Lewis-James trap last week.

One or more carloads of heavy granite, for the Fisherman Cold Storage Company seawall, and four carloads of fine granite, to be used in foundation, etc., of the Consolidated Cold Storage Company building, has reached town.

Sloops Letha May and Perseverance have started for Hyannis, to engage in mackereling, with set nets in the sound. With the Letha May went Edgar Kenney and his gasoline dory, the latter craft to be used as a net tender.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Steamer Alert, Capt. Joshua W. Brackett, of Boothbay, Me., is engaged in pollock seining of here and has landed several fares at Frank Stanwood's wharf.

Sch. W. B. Keen, Capt. Nathaniel Smith, is reported to have secured a full fare of fish at Block Island and sch. Margie Smith will now be fitted out for a similar trip.

Sch. Alice R. Lawson sailed from Louisburg, C. B., for North Sydney, C. B., last Tuesday.

Sloops C. E. Trumbull and Albert Baldwin and barge R. G. Co. No. 1, also sch. Reporter, are at Burnham's pier for their spring overhauling.

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FRESH MACKEREL CATCH.

Southern Fleet Has Landed 96
Trips to Date.

Up to the time of going to press, 96 fares of fresh mackerel have been landed by the southern fleet, 45 different vessels, leaving 13 vessels which have sailed from here yet to be heard from with a fare. The catch to this time is about 10,750 barrels.

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Herring Scarce at Bay of Islands.

Herring are scarce at the Middle Arm, Bay of Islands, N. F., and the nets there are only getting from half a barrel to a barrel a day. It is figured that not over 3000 barrels have been taken since winter set in, which means, since the ice came and froze the bay over.